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This bill changes the type of mail that can be used by a city or county to provide notice of the declaration of a nuisance to a property owner or occupant from certified mail, return receipt requested, to regular mail requiring a signature from the recipient for delivery, return receipt requested. Personal service is still an option for providing notice. The bill also changes from publication to posting the "fallback" mode of service that can be used if service cannot be obtained either by mail or personal service.

A hearing must be had, except in emergencies. Currently, a hearing is required only in certain circumstances.

The costs of complying with certain orders regarding nuisance properties issued by the building commissioner or other designated officer must be certified by the commissioner or officer, not to the city clerk or officer in charge of finance. These certified costs may be added to the real property tax bill and collected in the same manner as delinquent real estate taxes.

This bill is the same as SB 1044 (2016) and is similar to HB 1348 (2015).